So when children shout and scamper And make merry all the day; When there's naught to put a damper On the arder of their play; When I hear their laughter ringing. Then I'm sure as sure can be That the dinky bird is singing

Where the dinky bird is singing

In the alfalula tree!

In the alfalula tree! For the dinky bird's bravuras And staccatos are so sweet, His roulades, appoggiaturas And robustos so complete, That the youth of every nation, Be they near or far away, Have especial delectation

In that gladsome roundelay. Their eyes grow bright and brighter; Their lungs begin to crow; Their hearts get light and lighter And their cheeks are all aglow: For an echo'cometh bringing The news to all and me That the dinky bird is singing

In the alfalula trees Yes, I'm sure you'd ake to go there To behold your feathered friend, And so many goodies grow there You would like to comprehend: Speed, little dreams, your winging To that land reross the sea Where the disky bird is singles - Eugepe Field in Chiqueo Record.

A Toothsome Dish

A bet was recently made by two French gourmands, one of whom asserted that he could detect the component parts of any dish put before him, the other betting at great odds that he would not be able to tell the material wherewith his cook would pripare "a savory dish" for them. The bet was taken, the one confident in his quick, natural sense, the other in the skill of his cook.

The cook-a Frenchman of course -exerted all his talents and surpassed all praise. The dish was placed before the knowing epicure. He tastes, smacks his lips, tastes again, smells it, tastes again. Alas it is redolent of all rich odors. Such sauces, so marvellously blended; such gravy, such solids-so soft, so tender! What can it be? A won drous prepared tripe? No. Calf's head in new shape? No, no, no! a thousand "Noes." Our epicure gives

'It is old white kid gloves," is the cool explanation when the bet is resigned as lost.—London Tit-Bits.

Tears and Nerves.

My medical friend explains: As the muscular power that extends or flexes a finger is at a distance from the part moved, so the excitement to tears is from an irritation in a distant nervous center and is removed when the nervous center is either soothed or exhausted. The relief comes, not from the mere escape of tears, which is only a symptom, but from the cessation of the storm in calmed by soothing measures—as everywhere."—Chicago Dispatch. when we sootlie a child that is weeping from fear, annoyance or injurywe quiet the nervous centers, upon which the effect ceases. In children the soothing method succeeds, and sometimes it succeeds in adults, although in adults the cessation of tears is more commonly due to actual exhaustion following a period of nervous activity.—Boston Globe.

Her Disappointment.

A friend of mine asked me to join her theater party one night last week. I thought she was a little out of temper during the first act, but when the curtain went down she explained thuswise:

"When Ned got the box, he said it was on the right hand as we entered." "Why, what possible difference does it make," I asked. "We can see every part of the stage." "Oh, Polly," she whispered, "don't

be dense. Don't you see my hat is trimmed for the other side of the house, and from this side I am wearing a plain black one, and I had it made for this special occasion. I'll get the tickets myself next time,"-New York Recorder.

The greatest whirlpool is the maelstrom of the Norway coast. It is an eddy between the mainland and an island, and when the current is in one direction and the wind in another no ship can withstand the fury of the waves. Whales and sharks have been cast ashore and killed. The current is estimated to run 30 miles an hour.

The rate of wind varies from five miles an hour-a light breeze-to 80 or 100 miles an hour-a hurricane. From 30 to 40 miles an hour is reckoned a high wind or gale. At 50 miles an hour it is called a storm.

A vegetable curiosity is owned by | -St. Louis Republic. a resident of Wenatchee, Wash. It consists, it is claimed, "of a network of large potatoes grown upon one an-

There are people in the interior districts of Japan who have never tasted animal food and who look with horror on the eating of such a

Persons writing love poems will please make a note that "stupid" is the only word in the English lanlanguage which rhymes with Cupid.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children, she gave them Castorie

The Watchman lob Office does turns out first class work.

THE BOYS HAD SPOTTED HIM. He Was Taken For a Railway Spy and

Treated Like a King. "Several months ago," said Max Scheuer, a New York commercial traveler, "I was in Chicago and had to go to St. Louis. I bought a thousand mile ticket in my own name, and when the conductor came through he tore out the mileage and asked me to sign my name. Just for a lark I refused. He insisted. 'Why should I sign my name? I inquired. The ticket is mine. I bought it and paid for it. Besides I can't write. If you must have my name, let the porter there sign it for me.

"The conductor happened to see a symbolic fraternity badge on my watch charm and immediately gave me the sign of recognition. 'See here, old man, he remarked. 'I know you don't want to get me into trouble. My orders are to have all mileage signed. Now, oblige me,

won't you? "Of course I would and did. An hour or so later he came back and had a chat with me. You acted like a spotter, 'he said. I imagined when you made your "kick" that you were doing it simply to test me. That's why I insisted on your strict compliance with all our rules. I'll wager anything that porter over there be lieves you are a railway detective

now. "For the next month following this incident I traveled a great deal -almost constantly-and was completely dumfounded by the remarkably polite attentions showered upon me by train hands everywhere. On the road I could not indicate a wish that was not instantly gratified if it lay in the power of the train boys to grant it. The sleeping car porters danced attendance on me constantly and fairly buzzed about me by day and by night. I could not understand it.

"One day I fell into conversation with an old railroader on the train near Nashville and chanced to mention the remarkable change in treatment I had recently experienced. "The boys have spotted you,' he said positively.

"How's that?" "They take you for a railroad spy and have passed the word along the

line. "But how in the world can they do that? How do they know where I'm going? I use two or three different lines in a day sometimes.

'For answer he stooped over and took a look at my shoes. 'Just as l imagined, he continued. 'You have been spotted. If you will examine your left shoe, in the hollow just below the ball of the foot, you will rotice three little crosses. They were made by a common pin scratch, and every railway porter in America knows just what they mean. Change your shoes, and you will notice a change in your treatment, I guess.'

"Well, when I bought the next pair of shoes, the first thing I did after paying for them was to put three tiny crosses on the inside of the hel low of the left shoe. I've been treatthe nervous chain. If the storm be ed like a king by the railway boys

> How She Writes Stories. Perhaps some young writers would

like to know how I make my stories. so I will tell them. First, I take a few sheets of paper and write at the head of one, "Synopsis of novel;" on another page, "Characters," with description of form and disposition opposite each; on another page, "Act I," which will contain at least two scenes. I divide the entire synopsis thus into about five acts, with at least two scenes apiece. The whole story will contain three "situations, as I call them, one to open, or rather end the first scenes; one in the middle, one at the end.

All these I describe accurately and then fill in the whole. I have been an amateur actress for years and find this an easy way of writing. never introduce any character that does not have something to do with the plot, if but to make a background for a set scene. This plan will save a waste of words and make a more readable article.—Kate Lee Ferguson in Writer.

The Great Bed of Ware, The most gigantic as well as the most valuable and elaborate article of bedroom furniture in the world is 'the great bed of Ware," a relic of ancient times, recently sold to an an tiquarian at Hertford, England. "The Book of Days" says that it is believed to be not older than Elizabeth's reign (born 1533, died 1603), but another valuable reference work, "The World's Great Nations," says that the bed bears the date of 1463. Be this as it may, it is a curiosity as well as a relic. It is a square of 10 feet 9 inches and is 7 feet 6 inches high. It is very elegantly carved and cost not less than £500. Shakespeare mentions "the bed of Ware." See "Twelfth Night," act 3, scene 2.

Crime in the army is punished on a scale 10 times more severe than anything known in civil life. The most trumpery offenses against discipline-a momentary ebullition of temper or a casual indiscretion in the matter of drink-are almost every day involving men in loss of rank and permanent disadvantage in their profession, more often than not accompanied by short terms of im-

Why He Remained.

It was getting late, but Algernon Charles had not his watch with him. There was a clock on the mantle, but it was out of the range of his vision. "What time is it by that clock, Miss Bellefield?" he asked. "I can't see it distinctly."!

"Oh, that clock doesn't go," replied the maiden.

"Doesn't it? Then I won't either." And he staid I hour and 15 minutes Chronicle-Telegraph.

THE CAUSE OF SEASICKNESS.

Beginning In Three Aural Tubes, It Eventually Reaches the Stomach. Seasickness starts in the ear. In its cavity are three small tubes, each bent in a circle and filled with fluid. The three sit at right angles to each other, like the three sides at the corner of a room or a box. Consequently in whatever direction the head is moved the fluid in some one of the tubes is given a circular motion. Hanging out into the tubes, from their sides, are hairs, or cilia, which connect with nerve cells and fibers that branch off from the auditory

When the head moves, the fluid moves, the hairs move, the cells are "fired off," a nervous current is sent up to the brain and a feeling of the head's peculiar motion is consequent. As for seasickness, this nerve current on its way to the, brain at one point runs beside the spot or "center" where the nerve governing the stomach has its origin. When the rocking of the head is abnormally violent and prolonged, the stimulus is so great that the current leaks over into this adjoining "center" and so excites the nerve running to the stomach as to cause wretchedness and retching.

Deaf mutes, whose ear "canals" are affected, are never seasick. But normally the amount of car feeling which we get by reason of moving our head in a particular direction comes in a curious way to be a measure of the direction of sound. The feelings we get from our shin and muscles in turning the head play a similar role. We turn our ear to catch a sound. We do this so frequently for every point that in time we learn to judge the direction of the sound by the way we would have to turn the head in order to

follows and not hotel) - ch he head to get the direction for now remember the pro- r feel. and know it. This memory of the old feeling is our idea of the pre ant direction. If we never moved our heads, we never could have any such notion of the location of sounds as at present-perhaps none whatever.-McClure's Magazine.

An Indignant Reporter.

Lord Rosebery, while making a eech at Leeds, was interrup a Scottish reporter in a comiced to nor. The building in which the dom onstration was held was packed : suffocation. At the reporters' table sat a reporter of the old school of journalists. Mois are gathered on the pidars and glass reof of the building and at length began to trickle

Lord Rosebery was very referm as he approached his pereration, and the meeting sat husbed in d. ep at tention. All at once a drop of riois ture detached itself from the glasroof and fell with a splash on to the bald head of the reporter.

"Wha's that sputting" loudly demanded the pressman, with an in dignant northern accent, whereupon the audience burst into such a roar of laughter that it was some time be foro the noble lor I was able to proceed.—London Tit-Bits.

The Thrift of Good Spending. If you would live long, and prosper,

cultivate a libral and a listo expense gnaw and andy at your financial consciousness. Part as cheerfully with your dollars as you greet them, and never by any means be of those mistaken souls who grudge the most necessary spending. Otherwise they would feel reprehen-

sibly prodigal. The thrift of good

spending is utterly beyond them.

Good spending does not imply lavishness. Indeed it is straitly opposed to the useless frittering away of hard cash. Neither does it mean the keen bargaining, the rasping calculation, that in many minds stand for comomy. Always that money it best spent which brings the largest returns, whether of comfort, iuxury, the desire of the eye or the pride of life .-

A Mania For Calendars.

We have seen it mentioned that ar eminent jurist, who has lately passed away, had a great mania for collect ing and storing up a copy of every calendar heard of. No matter to him what nostrums were in connection advertised, whenever a page revealed the signs of the zodiac and the phases of the moon it immediately settled the question of purchase and ownership, and it is added that piles and piles of them, limitless in variety, were found among his treasured things. It has been estimated that this collection by an American gentleman may be regarded as the most extensive of its kind known.-Harper's Bazar.

A Circuit Clock:

The General Electric company of Berlin, it is said, proposes to adopt a new clock, which may be placed in Jan. 31st, 1870, Æ 34 years." circuit like an ordinary incandescent lamp. This clock, it is claimed, solves the problem of providing an inexpensive, yet effective, system of electric control of clocks. The current keeps the clocks wound at an annual cost of about 10 cents. Should the circuit be broken, the clock will run without the current for about 12 hours. The regulation can be performed by hand from the dynamo room or automatically from an observatory.—Chicago Herald.

The Debut of Two Senators

The events which preceded this episode were interesting. In the first place, Senator Vest, for the Finance Committee, reported an amendment reducing the limit of exemption from \$4,000 to \$3,000, a step which Mr. Hill as his own remarks show, regards as something in the nature of a victory for him. The debate also longer, estimated time.-Pittsburg gave an opportunity for the debut of

a comparatively young man, of quiet address, read a speech which touched generally upon the tarriff question. He made no attempt to display any graces of oratory or rhetoric, but was listened to with close attention by Senators on the Republican side as. he proceeded with his logical and forceful remarks. Senator Jarvis, on the other hand, being a typical Southerner, with command of all the arts with which the orators of that section are so generally and thoroughly equipped, made quite a triumphant debut. Tall, of fine presence, and with a resonant voice and splendid delivery, he soon compelled globe; a coffeepot, a washboard, the attention of the entire Senate, samples of barbed wire fence, a baby and his remmarks were frequently cotton bale, and dolls enough for applauded by the auditors in the the children of an entire village. gallaries. Mr. Patton opposed the There is a fantastic garment stampincome tax, while Mr. Jarvis favored 1 ed all over with cards, kings, queens, it. The North Carolinian, whose witty remark about Senator Gorman's speech, by the way, first gave an intimation of his keen sense of humor, caused a laugh by saying at the very beginning of his address that while poets and patriots had sung since the days of Horace that it was sweet to die for one's country, no one had ever said that it was sweet to be taxed for one's country. Then, laying down the principle that money had to be obtained somewhere for the support of the govern ment, he twitted Mr. Sherman with

ton of Michigan, and Mr. Jarvis of

North Carolina. Mr. Patton, who is

ing collars and cuffs that the poor Some of the sentences which elicited the greatest applause from the galleries were.

saying that it ought to be raised

from sugar; the New England Sena-

tors with wanting to put the bur-

den on manufactured goods and the

Senators from New York with select-

In imposing the burdens of taxation the heaviest portions should be put upon those best able to bear them and the lightest on those least able to bear them.

If the Democratic party has no higher mission than to bow at the footstool and worship at the shrine of the accumulated wealth of the country, the sooner it dies the bet-

Instead of this bill sounding the deathknell, I believe that it is the first step onward to a higher prosperity and a most glorious career for the Democratic party. And if it will only have the courage to move forward on the lines that have been selected, I believe that instead of our Republican friends in 1897 seeing a Republican President inaugurated the standard of Democracy will be advanced still higher, and our banner will again fical over the Senate the House of Representatives, and the White House.

Dend-Letter Office at Washington.

This museum contains many curious and interesting things. In one case is a mail pouch with an ugly slash made by a sharp knife and stained with blood. The carrier returning from Lochiel, Ariz., July 23, 1885, was killed by Apache Indians, who destroyed the mails, leaving this bag on the ground. In another place may be seen five letters which claim an aristocracy of antiquity, being severally stamped 1821, 1826, 1832, 1835, and 1836.

Among the books is a New Testament in Chinese, a life of Ignatius Loyola in Italian, printed in Venice in 1711, and a French volume which dates back to 1687. Near by is the Lord's Prayer in fifty-four languages, and a certificate of character to an apprentice from his master. The certificate is in German, and was brought to this country a hundred years ago,

There are two miniatures, apparently of father, and son, painted on ivory, which were found in a blank letter from Boston, December 9 1882, and many efforts have been made by the Department to find the owners, but so far they have proved unavailing. Two other miniatures which have attracted much attention are framed in oldfashioned gold settings, which bear upon the reverse sides the inscriptions: "Lucy Randolp Obiit April 23, 1782, Æ 64 years;" and "Mary Carter, Obiit

A crucifix of gold and carnelian on a cushion of velvet in a glass case was found at the close of the war in the Atlanta post office, and to this day it remains unclaimed. Near it is a sapphire ring set with diamonds, and in close proximity, as if keeping guard over these valuables, is a loaded revolver. The latter was sent addressed to a lady in Indiana; but as

she never called for it, it drifted here. Then, with singular incongruity, but tastefully displayed, upon shelves covered with crimson cloth, are to be found a piece of wood from the floor of the room in which Jesse James, the notorious outlaw, was killed: stuffed birds, palmetto wood, nugget gold, sea-shells, boxes of wedding-cake, false teeth, Easter eggs, bottles of salad-oil, cognac, and perfumes; packages of arsenic and strychnine, an array of bowie knives two of the new Senators, 'Mr. Pat- an old English hat-box which looks

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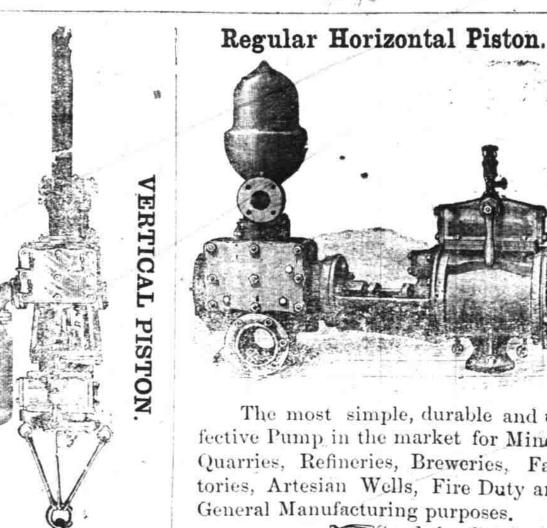
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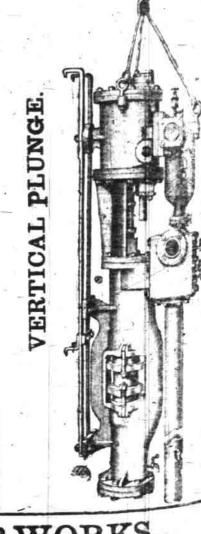
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